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Jane Henney, M.D.
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Dear Dr. Henney:

While the FDA seems to focus on "social" issues (tobacco, etc) it's falling flat on its proverbial face when it comes to antibiotics usage in agriculture.

We NEED a ban on antibiotics particularly in the poultry industry. Study after study has shown that super-resistant strains are becoming more prevalent because of the over-prescribing of a.b.'s in humans, let alone the agriculture industry.

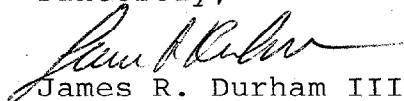
And as Sweden and Denmark have proven, weight gain and production actually INCREASED WITHOUT THE USE OF ANTIBIOTICS IN CHICKENS.

The mega-ag businesses of course are only interested in the bottom line, and of course we have to consider over population which is making it more difficult to feed 6 billion+ people with "natural" methods. Thankfully, the European Union and Europeans in general are far more educated and sophisticated regarding these matters.


Please consider a total ban on antibiotics in agriculture except for dire need.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

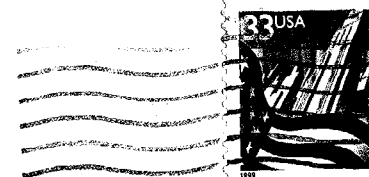
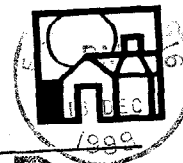
Sincerely,



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